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PRESS RELEASE

Travel through time at The Manx Museum!

On Monday 23rd February, Manx National Heritage launched a new children's 'Discovery Trail' at the Manx Museum in Douglas. The Manx Museum was bustling with families throughout half term week with children having fun and learning about Manx natural history, Celts and Vikings, Victorian holiday makers and more. The trail is aimed at children aged 5 to 11 years old and provides a fun way of learning about their Island's past. Each child completing the trail receives an "I've travelled through time at the Manx Museum" sticker and a colouring-in sheet along with the answer sheet.

Alan Kinvig, Museum and Sites Manager at the Manx Museum, commented:

"The Discovery Trail is a great activity for families during the school holidays and on Saturdays during term-time. For anybody who missed out during half term, the 'Discovery Trail' is still available from the Museum Reception from Monday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm. Admission is completely free of charge."

'The Manx Museum Discovery Trail' can also be used for organised trips to the Museum by primary schools and youth clubs. If you are interested in arranging a group visit, please contact the Manx National Heritage Group Bookings Officer on 01624 648000.

Manx National Heritage thanks families and children who have already taken part and encourages them to keep their eyes and ears open, as new versions of the 'Discovery Trail' will be issued at the Manx Museum through the year. And look out for trails at other Manx National Heritage sites this season!

Manx National Heritage seasonal sites across the Island open on Saturday 4th April at 10am. These include The Grove Museum in Ramsey, Peel Castle, The Old House of Keys, Nautical Museum, Old

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Grammar School and Castle Rushen in Castletown, The Great Laxey Wheel and Mines Trail, Rushen Abbey in Ballasalla and The National Folk Museum at Cregneash.

For further information on the 'Manx Museum Discovery Trail' and other Manx National Heritage events and exhibitions over the Spring and Summer months please visit the Manx National Heritage website www.storyofmann.com or telephone 01624 648000.

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Image Captions:



A family enjoys The Manx Museum Discovery Trail



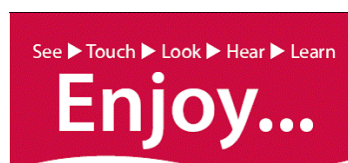
Children try to find the answers in The Manx Museum Art Gallery

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An "I've travelled through time at the Manx Museum" sticker



The Manx Museum
Discovery Trail



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A taster of The Manx Museum Discovery Trail.

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